



Magic 100 words chart

The *Magic 100 Words* is a collection of what we call "sight words"

These are words that your child will need to be able to look at and know straight away what they say - knowing the word "by sight".

Sight words make up about 75% of everything we read so if your child can remember and say these words just by looking at them, they'll have a great head start for reading.

Don't expect your child to know all these words before they start school, but show them and talk about them.

If your child can say a word - celebrate! Then ask them to use that word in a story to show that they understand the word in its context.

Have your child cut out fish shapes - write a word on each fish, attach a paperclip to each one, make a fishing rod with a magnet, put your fish in a bucket and then catch them!

Write the words onto blank cards - make a trail through the house and have your child say each word as they step over them. Blotack them along the hallway walls or to the fridge - pick out a few at a time. Use a group of words to make sentences.

This will be a very handy reference for the first year at school!